Press release

The wet weather continues

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The heavy rain, predicted by The Met. Office as early as last Thursday, arrived in force yesterday and piled on further misery for those still affected by the storms of last week.

A band of rain swept through southern England and Wales, producing up to two inches (50mm) of rain in some parts, before moving north over Northern Ireland, Scotland, northern England and north Wales. The forecast from The Met. Office is for heavy prolonged rain to continue to affect the northern half of the country throughout the next two days, while the south will be affected by further heavy showers.

Ewen McCallum, Head of Forecasting at The Met. Office, said: "We are very worried about further prolonged rain to come for north-eastern England and the Borders because of the current flood problems. Even in the south, the heavy showers could bring further localised flooding."

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